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Applicant

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Title

ELECTRONIC BOOK WITH CONNECTION TO WORLD

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the December 13, 2004 Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect Group V, Claims 28-40, drawn to an electronic book that provides an electronic book viewer to receive and view one or more of the plurality of streaming video, audio and text.

Applicants respectfully submit that the subject matter of all of claims 1-52 is sufficiently related that a thorough search of the subject matter of any one group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. *See* MPEP §803, which states that "[i]f the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner <u>must</u> examine it on the merits" (emphasis added).

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Applicants respectfully submit that this policy should apply to the above-identified application to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

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Respectfully submitted,

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